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2nd. October, 1974

Dear Mr. Tscherim Soobzokov,

I am glad to inform you that Ilias Khushe and Mukhtar Tleush came to my office and declared and signed two affidavits in your favour. After I signed I had the them both countersigned before the American Consul.

I hope they will be of some use for you.

Sincerely yours

A.T. Al-Kha

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I, the undersigned ILIAS KHUSHT, being duly sworn according to law, upon my oath, depose and say that:

- 1. I reside at Jabel El-Taj, Amman, Jordan since 1947.
- 2. I was born on 1904 in Aul Shendji, Tachtamukais Taion A.A.O., U.S.S.R.
- I know Tscherim Soebzokov and his father and mother, Kurach nee Dedi, very wall.
- 4. Upon German Liberation of Tachtamukai area, he was chosen by the area people as official of the Circassian Gandarmeria, namely as Secretary to the Chief, Mr. Mahmeud Chez.
- 5.After a short period, Mr. Seebzokev was removed from his position for refusing the Germans the presentation of certain documents, or information concerning his towns-people. Also his Chief was replaced by another Circassian by name, Chach.
- 6. Later en, Mr. Tscherim Soobzekev joined the North Circassian Veluntary batallion and was appointed as an Assistant Supply Officer.
- We never saw him er heard of him, doing anything wrong to any person or persons.
- 8. He was always helpful to anyone to whom he could provide political, or moral assistance during the time when the Germans were in our area.
- I knew nothing, if anything, was done by him from when we retreated from Krasnedarki Krai, until the end of World War II in 1945.
- 10. Only, I very well remember that after World War II, he was held very highly, respected by our leaders and people, and I never heard anybody speaking against him.
- 11. Mr. Tscherim Seobzekov, who saved us from forced repatriation in 1945 in Austria, as well as from Italy, in 1946 and 1947.
- 12. Mr. Soebzokev, who brought us to the Hachemite Kingdom of Jordan has saved our lives.

Bearer of Passport No; 317694 dated Jan 12, 1962

Signed Signed

I, A.T. AL-KHALIL Barrester-at-law, Senator, O.B.E. & Practicing Law in Amman, Jordan, do hereby certify that Mr. ILIAS KUSHT appeared before me, took cath and signed the above affidavit this 28 Sept 1974 and whereas I hereby affix my signature.

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DAY OF October 1974 AT AMITAN, JORDAN

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Mukhtar Tleush, take oath according to law, depose that the following is true:

- 1- I reside at Rase Bl Bin Amman, Jordan.
- 2- I was born on 1909 in aul Tachtamukai, A. A. O., U. S. S. R.
- 3- I know Techerim Soobzokov, since his childhood.
- 4- In 1940 or 1941, he was arrested and was sentenced to one year imprisonment.
- 5- Shortly after declaration of war by the Germans, he came back to our native town, Tachtamukai and was mobilized with many young boys of his age group to build defense lines.
- 60 In the Summer of 1942, a few months before German occupation, he came back, being wounded on his shoulder and was under treatment in the town hospital.
- 7- Tacherim Soobzokov, chose not to retreat with retreating Krasnoe Armia, but stayed back waiting for coming Germans.
- 8- In August 1942, upon German Liberation of our town Takhtamukai, he was one of those selected by towns people to set up self-ruling local government under German Agricultural Commandant, and he was assigned as a secretary to then Chief of the Circassian Gendarmeria in Takhtamukai, Raion, Mahmoud Chez.
- 9- After a month or two, Mahmoud Chez and Tacherim Soobzokov were removed from their positions for refusing Germans in presenting list of former members of Communist Party, Comsomol, and activists.
- 10- Techerim Soobzokov joined voluntarily, North Caucassian infantry batalion which was formed somewhere from former prisoners of war consisting of Adige, Kabardines, Chechens, Karachays, Ingushes, and Dagestanians.
- 11- That batalion was fighting against Krasnoe Armis in Maslovka near Staniza Kalujanskia, about 25 kilometers from our town, Takhtamukai.
- 12- Tscherim Soobzokov, was appointed there as an assistant to Supply Officer, and we used to see him at least once a week and sometimes twice a week with a few carts used for taking from different villages hay for army horses.
- 13- In February 1943, I saw him retreating with his batalion and many Germans from the city of Krasnodar.
- 14- Again I saw him in the Summer of 1943 with two other Circassian Soldiers in Staniza Partizani near the city of Militopol, Ukraine, where we were quartered as civilian refugees.
- 15- In the Winter of 1943, we civilians were organized in so called self-defense units and were set up to fight partizans in Slonim area in Belorussia. All this time, his brother Mos was with us and he was sick with tuberculosis.
- 16- In January or February of 1944, Tscherim Soobzokov came to us in Slonim and under false pretences that he was taking us to join Caucassian Army; took 5 persons from our native town.
- 17- Since then, we travelled together; our group increasing. This group consisted of those who did not wish to fight partizans or work for Germans, and we were trying to avoid contact with Techerkeski Bejenski Comitee under leadership of Nanu Chadljemeukov and his stooges.
- 18- The countries we travelled together are Ukraine, Rumania, Hungaria, Yugoslavia, Greece, Austria and to Poland.

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- 19- With exception of Tacherim Soobzokov, we were dressed as civilians. only Soobzokov used to wear Lieutenant's Uniform of infantry.
- 20- In September or October of 1944, finally we settled in Harka Kapaza, Hungary and stayed there until March or April of 1945.
- 21- While we were in Harka Kapaza, Tscherim Soobzokov was arrested by the Germans and after 3 weeks was released as a very sick man.
- 22- After he was able to travel, he went to Berlin for five days and came back to us in a brand new German Caucsasian Waffen SS uniform with rank of a Lieutenant.
- 23- At that time, he told us that now thanks to God and General Ulugai we are all safe.
- 24- During all this time Tscherim Soobzokov never harmed anybody, he never refused to help who needed help, all he was doing was trying to save people from Krasnoe Armia and Germans who were trying to use use
- 25- Again in June, 1945 Mr. Soobzokov secured a travel document from a British officer who was with the British Army in Oberdrauburg, Austria, and with that document, we reached Italy, where we tried unsuccessfully to immigrate to Turkey or Greece, but failed.
- 26- From August, 1945 to October, 1947, we were moving from town to town all over Italy. Finally again Mr. Soobzokov, went to the Middle Bast, first to Egypt, then to Jordan and Mr. Soobzokov successfully presented the problems of our Circassian refugees in Italy to His Majesty, the late King Absullah, who was humane and gracious enough to accept all Circassian refugees in His Majesty's country and we were admitted to this country in November, 1947,

27- In 1955, Mr. Soobzokov immigrated to U.S.A. from where he still helps, if he can, those who seek his help and keeps close contact with us.

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I, A, T, Al-KHALIL Barester - at - law, senater, O. B. B, and
practeing Law in Amman, Jordan, do hereby certify that Mr. Mukhtar
Tleush appeared before me, took oath and signed the above affidavit
this 29 Sept. 1974 and whereas I hereby affix my signature.

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Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
City of Amman
Embassy of the United States as of America

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS LEL.

AMERAAN CONSUL

JON G. EDENSWORD

Consul of the United States of America